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GLENDALÉ MAIN LIBRARY CELEBRATING ITS 25TH ANNIVERSARY

Glendale, Ariz. — Sixteen-year-old Erik Allen became a Glendale Main Library patron before he could walk. His library experience has ranged from story time as a toddler to becoming a teen volunteer in the youth department. Erik's story is just one of many that have taken place at the Glendale Library over its 25-year history.

Whether it's assistance with a job search, hosting a local musician in the auditorium, or helping pick out that perfect picture book for a new reader, the library has helped create chapters in the lives of many of its patrons.

On July 27, 1987, the Main Library opened its doors, and after 25 years it's still going strong. Like a well-loved family member, its birthday will be celebrated in a traditional way. Join library staff and volunteers on Thursday, July 26, from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m., for a slice of cake and a chance to reminisce with us about how the library has impacted your life.

The Glendale Public libraries are continuously striving to meet the needs of every member of the community, and this year is no exception. Achievements include upgrading to Polaris, a state-of-the-art operating system; the addition of RFID, which will make the check in and checkout of materials almost effortless; and, last but not least, becoming a member of the Maricopa County Reciprocal Borrowing Program, allowing all Maricopa County residents the opportunity to have a free library card. With so much progress being made, it's fitting that the Main library is celebrating a milestone anniversary.

For more information, visit the library website at glendaleaz.com/library or call 623-930-3530. The Glendale Main Library is located at 5959 W. Brown Street.

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